

Zoning Resolution

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For any #zoning lot# within the #Special Willets Point District#, the City Planning Commission may permit modification of the #use# regulations, #bulk# regulations, except #floor area ratio# provisions, or parking and loading regulations of this Resolution, the mandatory improvement or other urban design regulations of this Chapter, or the distribution of #floor area# or #dwelling units# without regard for #zoning lot lines#, provided the Commission shall find that such:

- (a) #use# or #bulk# modification shall aid in achieving the general purposes and intent of the Special District;
- (b) #use# modification shall encourage a lively pedestrian environment along the street, or is necessary for, and the only practicable way to achieve, the programmatic requirements of the development;
- (c) #bulk# modifications shall enhance the distribution of #bulk# within the Special District;
- (d) #bulk# modifications shall permit adequate access of light and air to surrounding streets;
- (e) parking and loading modifications will not have undue adverse effects on residents and businesses in the surrounding area, will not create serious traffic congestion and will not unduly inhibit surface traffic and pedestrian flow;
- (f) modifications to mandatory improvements or other urban design regulations will not unduly impact the streetscape;
- (g) modifications to the distribution of #floor area# or #dwelling units# and the location of #buildings# will not unduly increase the #bulk# of #buildings# in any one #block# or unduly obstruct access to light and air to the detriment of the occupants or users of #buildings# in the #block# or nearby #blocks# or of people using the public #streets#; and
- (h) modifications, in total, shall relate harmoniously to the character of the surrounding area.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, a #use# modification may include a #use# proposed as part of a phased development within the Special District, where the Commission finds that such #use# is reasonably necessary for transitional purposes to assist in achievement of the goals of the Special District, provided the findings of paragraphs (a), (b) and (h) of this Section are met to the maximum extent possible, taking into account the nature of such #use#.

The Commission may prescribe appropriate conditions and safeguards to minimize adverse effects on the character of the surrounding area.